

Dear Friends:

Another year has passed and gone. We shall never have the pleasure of writing 1911 again, but don't be sad; think of 1912 and how bright we can make it for ourselves and others. I have been with you nearly twelve months and I'm glad; also glad to have had the pleasure of doing some business with you; or if not, hope to have the privilege to share some of your patronage in the near future, after which I am sure you will be glad too.

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WANT REFORM IN TAX ASSESSMENT

COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE ASHEVILLE BOARD OF TRADE TO FORMULATE PLAN.

CONFINED TO AD VALOREM

One Exception Permitted In Levying State Assessments Other Than Ad Valorem Is Not More Than 5 Cents on \$100 May Be Levied.

Raleigh.—A special from Asheville states that the board of trade of this city appointed a special committee some time ago to formulate a plan to be submitted to the next general assembly of the state for the making of assessments for taxes throughout the state more equitable and acceptable to the taxpayers. This committee was composed of W. Vance Brown, F. M. Weaver and Fergus Stikeleather, and it was the idea of the board of trade to pass upon the plan evolved by the committee, and if it was acceptable to send drafts of it to the boards of other cities throughout the state to find if it was generally acceptable. The scheme was finally decided upon and passed upon by the local board. It has now been made public property for the first time several days ago.

Two of the committee that drafted the scheme, Messrs. Stikeleather and Weaver, were the tax assessors of Buncombe last year and during their term of office were able to learn just how much dissatisfaction exists at present with the system that is being used and were in a position to learn where this system might be improved. The scheme they have evolved is somewhat similar to the one prepared by the state board of tax commissioners appointed in 1910, and the committee believes that it is the best that could be adopted unless there could also be made certain constitutional changes. The committee made a special study of the tax systems of other states and also the reports of various tax commissions and combined with their own knowledge of conditions, it is believed that the scheme will be a good one to present for the consideration of the next legislature.

Change of Courts is Authorized.

An exchange of courts between Judge Bragaw and Judge Webb is authorized by Governor Kitchin, by which Judge Bragaw will hold Pasquotank court two weeks, January 22; Washington, one week, February 12; Beaufort, two weeks, February 19; Currituck, one week, March 4; Camden, one week, March 18; Perquimans, one week, March 25; Chowan, one week, April 1; Gates, one week, April 8; and Washington, one week, April 15. Judge Webb will hold two weeks terms each for Wayne, January 22; Harnett, February 15; Wake, February 19; Johnson, March 4; Wake, March 25; and Wayne, April.

North Carolina New Enterprises.

A charter was issued to the W. G. Penry Company of Lexington to deal in general merchandise; authorized capital \$50,000, with \$14,000 paid in by W. G. Penry, T. C. Hinkle and T. J. Taylor. Another charter is to the Harbor Island Hunting Lodge of Morehead City, with a capital of \$3,000.

Secretary is Sending Out Notices.

Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes is sending out notices to nearly four hundred corporations in this state, whose officers have failed to send in their annual reports by December 1, to the effect that their names are now being reported to the sheriffs of their respective counties for the collection of the \$25 forfeit from each prescribed by statute. This is about one-third of all the corporations in the state that are included in those about to be penalized for this failure to comply with the law.

Blind Tigers Given Sentences.

As a result of the raids made on the Albemarle blind tigers in the last few days, six have already been sentenced to the Albemarle chain gang for six months each. For three days Recorder O. J. Sikes held court. Those receiving sentences were Jake Plunkett, Richmond Thomas, Robert Kinde, William Furr, Robert Freeman and Will Colson. Henry Bruton and Marsh Wall were adjudged not guilty. Dave Teeter and Henry Colson were found guilty, but were only fined \$50 each.

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Anti-Saloon League Called Meeting.
Raleigh.—In annual session here the executive committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League called a special state convention of league members for Raleigh, January 26, to close with a grand rally Sunday, the 28th, with Dr. P. A. Baker, superintendent of the national league as a special participant. N. B. Broughton, James I. Johnson, Josephus Daniels, W. N. Jones and B. L. Davis are named as a special committee to arrange the program and provide the speakers.

Arrested For Flashing Checks.

Greensboro.—K. W. Allen, a white man of good appearance and who claims to be a traveling salesman, was arrested here at the request of Winston authorities, who state that he is wanted for passing a worthless check on a clothing firm in the Twin City. When arrested Allen was at the McAdoo hotel and he declares that some mistake has been made. Allen says the check in question was for \$5 and that he will be able to explain matters satisfactorily.

Governor Has Issued A Pardon.

Governor Kitchin issued a pardon to K. C. Caton, a white man of Charlotte, who was convicted at the December term of court, and sentenced to eighteen months on the roads. Caton is in the hospital with a severe case of pellagra and in danger of his life. The reasons of pardon are as follows: "The county superintendent of health and another eminent physician certify that prisoner has been removed from the jail to a hospital for treatment to save his life; that he had been stricken with pellagra and is in a precarious condition; that the chances for his recovery are unfavorable; therefore, I issue a pardon."

COMBATING LICE IN CHICKS

Small Quantity of Olive Oil Rubbed on Fowl's Head Will Prove Quite Effectual.

If fowls are healthy, the premises kept clean, and a dust bath or ashes provided, lice rarely get the upper hand, it being through the brood hens, transmitting them to the chickens, that most harm ensues. A hen with many or few lice on her when sitting transmits them to the chickens immediately they are hatched. They are to be found stationary on the chicken's head, above the beak and eyes, and in a few days when they get more plentiful, are to be found behind and on top of head and throat. A simple and effective treatment adopted by the government station in New South Wales is to place a small quantity of olive oil in a saucer, and the day after hatching dip the finger in the oil and thoroughly rub it into the fluff of the chicken's head and under the throat. This will kill the lice if present and if repeated the second or third day there will be little fear of any escaping. When a week or ten days old the chickens should be examined again and if any of the vermin are found at this age a little kerosene can be added to the olive oil. It is best to annoint all chickens with the oil immediately after they are hatched, such being a sure preventive of the scourge.

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COMMISSIONER CLARK NOW ENGAGED IN EXTERMINATING PINE BARK BEETLE.

SERVICES OFTEN NEEDED

Farmers From Many Townships Have Asked Mr. Clark To Come and Mark Infected Trees.—When Extermination Work Should Be Started.

Charlotte.—Mr. C. E. Clark, Commissioner of agriculture for Mecklenburg county, is engaged these days of the New Year largely in the work of exterminating the pine bark beetle, or rather in showing the farmers of the county how to exterminate it. Mr. Clark by virtue of his position as commissioner of agriculture for this county has the work in charge and his services are in frequent requisition.

Farmers in Sharon, Huntersville, Mallard Creek and several other townships have called on Mr. Clark to come to their farms and mark trees that are infested with the beetle to the end that the pest may be surely and effectively destroyed. As the process of destruction must be complete in every detail to insure effectiveness it is important to go about the work carefully. Farmers realize that the work must be done right and done at once if the forest felling pest is to be destroyed and Mr. Clark is gratified that they are taking such an intelligent interest in the matter.

It is the utmost importance that the work of extermination be started during the winter months, while the embryo beetle is still in the tree. After the middle of February the broods of the beetle begin leaving the trees where they have spent the winter and seek new trees. The principal clumps or patches of dying trees, according to the government experts, which are actually infested by the destructive beetle, as indicated by the fading and dying foliage, or otherwise, should be located and marked during the months of November, December, January and February. In order to do this work properly experience or special instruction is required. It is the work of Commissioner Clark to do this and he is being called upon frequently by farmers in all sections of the county to locate and mark infected trees.

New Developments Expected Soon.

Reidsville.—Further developments are expected hourly with regard to the mysterious shooting of Mrs. Wesley Jones, which occurred at Bassett, just across the Virginia line, while she was engaged in dressing a rabbit in the rear of her home. It is almost certain that three arrests will be made, although the names of those who will be apprehended have not yet been disclosed for very obvious reasons. Commonwealth's attorney is ordering the arrests to be made, and as soon as the suspected parties have been apprehended, they will be brought for a preliminary hearing.

Shipping Timber To Berlin.
Wilmington.—Large quantities of lumber are being shipped from Wilmington to Berlin, Germany, to be manufactured into veneers and are largely used in the manufacture of pianos, automobiles, buggies, carriages, wagons and army equipment. Those arrived in Wilmington by raft from Sand Bluff, Bladen county, the largest poplar log ever seen in this county. It contains 2,310 feet of timber. The cut was 28 feet in length and 30 inches in diameter.

Governor Issued Requisition.
Raleigh.—A requisition was issued by Governor Kitchin on the governor of Pennsylvania for J. J. Nunkin, wanted in Wilson for stealing baggage in that he went into the Norfolk Southern baggage room and had three pieces of baggage checked to Elizabeth City, when he had only two of his own. The other proved to be the property of P. McCafferty. The railroad authorities put detectives on the trail of Nunkin and located him in Pennsylvania.

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